1 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 143

- 2 (By Delegates Perdue, Hatfield, Barill, D. Campbell, Ferns,
- 3 Lawrence, Marshall, Moore, Poore, Fleischauer, Moye, Perry,
- 4 Phillips, Rodighiero, Staggers, Border, Ellington, Householder
- 5 and Rowan)
- 6 [Originating in the Committee on Health and Human Resources;
- 7 Reported 2011.]

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- 9 Requesting the Joint Committee on Government and Finance to conduct
- 10 a study on combining the state health care programs into a
- 11 single agency.
- 12 WHEREAS, The cost of providing health care by the Public
- 13 Employees Insurance Agency, the Bureau of Medical Services, Access
- 14 West Virginia and the Children's Health Insurance Program exceeds
- the growth in general revenues that are needed to fund these vital
- 16 programs; and
- 17 WHEREAS, West Virginians have a disproportionate rate of
- diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol and other chronic
- illnesses, and coordinating chronic disease management activities
- 20 among the state payers will result in improved services to the
- 21 citizens covered by these programs, which will result in future
- 22 cost savings to the state; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Combining the purchasing of health care services by

- 1 the various state payers will result in greater efficiency and cost
- 2 savings; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Combining services such as medical directors
- 4 services, actuarial services, claims processing and other services
- 5 will result in efficiencies and cost savings to the state;
- 6 Therefore be it
- Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:
- 8 That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance is hereby
- 9 requested to conduct a study on combining the state payers of
- 10 health care into one entity; and, be it
- 11 Further Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Government and
- 12 Finance report to the Legislature, on the first day of the regular
- 13 session, 2012 on its findings, conclusions and recommendations
- 14 together with drafts of any legislation to effectuate its
- 15 recommendations; and, be it
- 16 Further Resolved, That the expenses necessary to conduct this
- study, to prepare a report and to draft necessary legislation be
- 18 paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on
- 19 Government and Finance.